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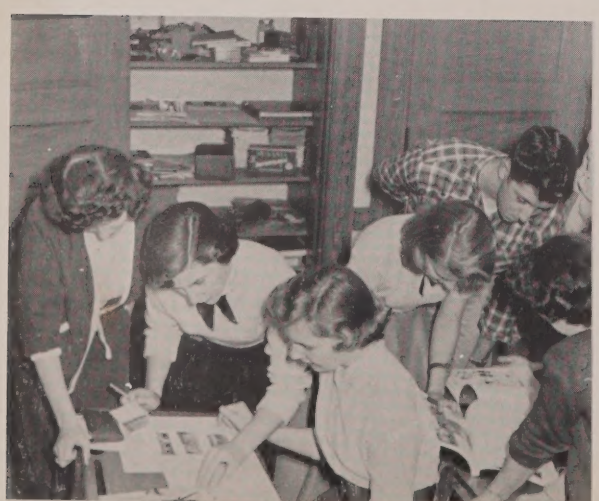

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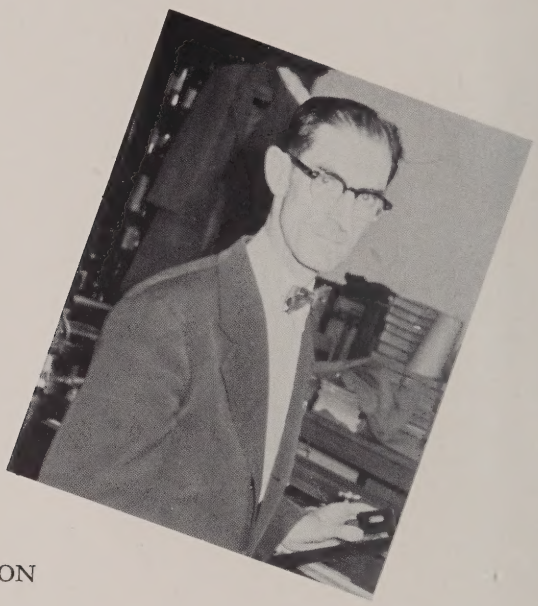

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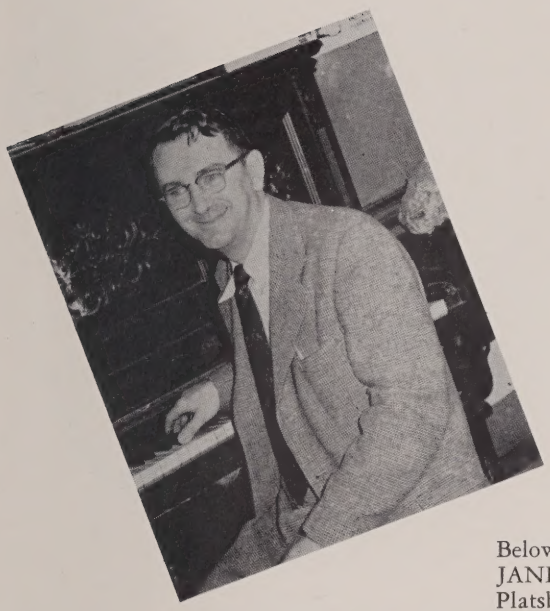

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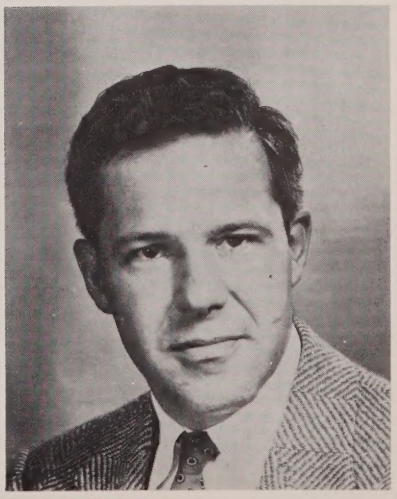

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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

MR. HAROLD LADD

SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP

Our American way of life is built upon a foundation of ideals and values. Not the least of these ideals is the participation of the individual in the affairs of government and an intelligent evaluation of his responsibility as a worthy member of society. It is the responsibility of our schools to produce an informed citizenry to maintain an adequate defense against those forces that tend to undermine our democracy.

History shows very clearly that kings based their right to make decisions upon divine right, and that they could maintain control so long as they kept their subjects in ignorance. Dictators in recent history based their power upon the premise that they were elected by a majority party, but this did not mean that elections were free.

In America, with a population of one hundred and sixty million, we admit that it is impossible for every individual to make decisions at the national level, but our ever-expanding educational opportunities, our technological know-how and public opinion polls have brought us to a point where more and more people may help make important decisions regarding civic matters that affect the welfare of all.

We have been thrust into the Atomic Age, and one of the greatest decisions we have to make is what are we going to do about it. If we fail to make the right decision, the implications are tragic, but proper use of the atom can change our whole pattern of existence. Education must be geared to the demands of society, because education is our first line of defense.

I trust that every member of the Senior Class will continue in some field of formal education now, or at a future date. Those who enter the armed forces will find educational opportunities available, and others who feel that they must accept employment will soon realize that industry recognizes a desire for self-improvement.

I challenge you to make the most of every educational opportunity and take your place as an informed citizen.

Sincerely,

HAROLD M. LADD

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

MR. HENRY O. HOLLEY

TO THE CLASS OF 1955

May I take this opportunity to express to the members of the Class of 1955 my warmest congratulations for their accomplishments, and my sincere good wishes for their future. One of the things that makes teaching interesting is the constant change of personnel in the student body. You Seniors represent such a cross-section of our school population. For the past four years you have made your impression on the life of the school and your presence will be sorely missed after you have graduated. The process is a mutual one, however, and you are bound to be different than you were four years ago. This change is the result of your association with the faculty and your schoolmates and the philosophy you have developed during this period. Every teacher hopes that each student will respond to some spark struck consciously or otherwise during his school career, that will enable him to live a fuller and richer life. And so it is our wish that you may truly look upon your graduation from high school as a "Commencement Day" in your life, and continue to prepare yourself for the problems that lie ahead.

Sincerely,

HENRY O. HOLLEY

DEDICATION

The class of 1955 dedicates this yearbook to Mr. John Leland Brown, who, in giving generously of his time and effort, in work on our yearbook, has won our deep appreciation.

SENIORS

NORMAN ARNOLD WYTAS

Zeke

Monson, Massachusetts

August 14, 1937

Class President 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; President of Student Council 4; Student Council Vice President 3; AAA Committee 4; Junior Hi-Y Vice President 1; Hi-Y 2; One-Act Play 1; Assistant Stage Manager 2; Property Manager 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Baseball Captain 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Basketball Co-Captain 4; Soccer 2, 3, 4; Soccer Co-Captain 4; Boys' State 3; Governors' Day Host 4; Good Government Day Representative 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Class Ring Committee 3; Monsonia Staff 4; Yearbook Staff.

DONALD PATRICK CANTWELL

Donnie

Palmer, Massachusetts

May 8, 1937

Class Vice-President 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Glee Club Vice President 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Soccer 2, 3, 4; Soccer Co-Captain 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Basketball Co-Captain 4; Boys' State 3; Class Ring Committee 3; Yearbook.

BARBARA ANN BEAULIEU

Barb

Hartford, Connecticut

September 2, 1937

Class Secretary 1, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3; One-Act Play 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 3; Student Council 4; Talent Show 1; WARE Radio Station 2; Basketball Manager 3; Yearbook Staff 4; Majorette 1, 2; Basketball 1.

NANCY JANE FRANCIS

Nan

Ludlow, Massachusetts

December 2, 1935

Class Treasurer 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Treasurer 4; Student Council 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Talent Show 1; Yearbook.

PAUL JOSEPH ANDERSON

Paul

Sanford, Maine

December 31, 1936

One-Act Play 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2; Junior Hi-Y 1; Student Council 4; Yearbook.

IRENE MARY AUGUSTINE

Rene

Palmer, Massachusetts

May 27, 1937

Student Council 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monsonia Staff 3, 4; Yearbook.

LEO GEORGE BEAULIEU

Leo

Stafford Springs, Connecticut

August 12, 1937

Basketball 1; Soccer 1; Glee Club 1, 2; Band 1, 2; Yearbook.

ANN ELIZABETH BONETT

Ann

Springfield, Masachusetts

August 6, 1938

French Club 3; French Club Treasurer 3; One-Act Play 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook.

EDWARD WILLIAM BRASKIE

Lover

Palmer, Massachusetts

July 23, 1937

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Soccer 1; Junior Hi-Y 1; Yearbook.

JESSIE FINDLEY COOLONG

Jess

Palmer, Massachusetts

Glee Club 2, 4; Yearbook.

DONALD LOUIS DEPACE

Don

Palmer, Massachusetts

May 3, 1937

Soccer 3, 4; Baseball Manager 2; One-Act Play Manager 2, 3; Junior Hi-Y 1; Yearbook.

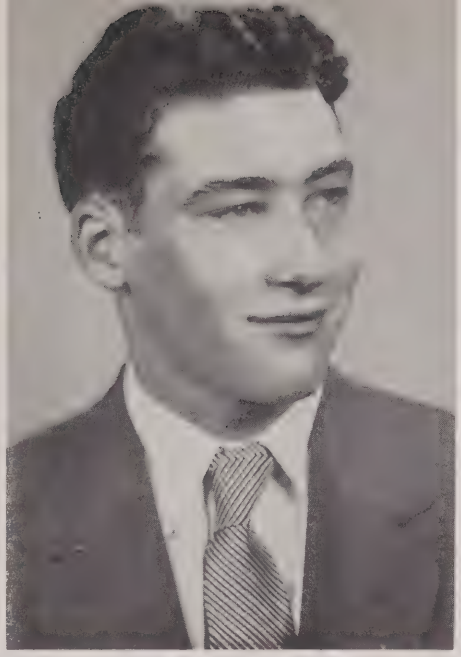
JANET ETHEL DRAKE

Jay

Rutland, Massachusetts

July 27, 1937

Student Council 3; Tri-Hi-Y 3; Cheerleader 4; Co-Captain Cheerleader 4; One-Act Play 2; Prompter One-Act Play 1; French Club 3; Monsonia Staff 4; Talent Show 1; Class Ring Committee 3; Sub-Cheerleader 3; Glee Club 1, 3; Majorette 1, 2; Yearbook Staff 4; Calisthenics at Small School Basketball Tournament 2.



MARILYN ELEANOR FOX

Red

Palmer, Massachusetts

December 13, 1935

Glee Club 1, 4; Monsonia Staff 2, 3, 4; Assistant Class Reporter 1; Yearbook.

NANCY LOUISE GOODALE

Pinky

Springfield, Massachusetts

July 8, 1937

At Technical High in Springfield, Massachusetts: Tech Tantrums 1; Girls' Chorus 1; Graduation Choir 1, 2; Student Association 1, 2.

JOSEPH ARTHUR HAMEL

Joe

Rockville, Connecticut

March 8, 1938

At Winthrop High in Winthrop, Maine: Student Council 3; French Club 3; at Monson: Pro-Merito 4; Yearbook Staff.

ELIZABETH JANE HULSE

Liz

Palmer, Massachusetts

March 17, 1937

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; One-Act Plays 2, 3; Monsonia Staff 4; Yearbook Staff.

BARBARA ELIZABETH KLUCESKI

Barb

Palmer, Massachusetts

July 20, 1937

Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary and Treasurer, Student Council 4; Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Vice President 3; Tri-Hi-Y President 4; Class Vice President 1; Class Secretary 2; Yearbook Staff; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; French Club 3; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Co-Captain Cheerleader 4; Monsonia Staff 2, 3, 4; Calisthenics at Small School Basketball Tournament 2.

EVE HANA KOLOWRAT

Eve

Prague, Czechoslovakia

June 12, 1938

French Club 3; Class Reporter 4; Monsonia 4; Yearbook Staff; Glee Club 1, 4.

CECILE MARIE GEMMA ROSALIE LECOURS

Sis

Hardwick, Vermont

March 22, 1937

Class President 1; One-Act Play 2; Girls' State 3; French Club 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pro Merito 3, 4; Student Council 1; Monsonia Staff 4; Yearbook Committee.

MARJORIE ANN LEWING

Margie

Cincinnati, Ohio

September 1, 1937

Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pro-Merito 3, 4; One-Act Play 3; Basketball 1; Alternate to Girls' State 3; Talent Show 1; Monsonia Staff 4; Yearbook Staff.

ROSALIE FRANCIS MANZI

Ro

Springfield, Massachusetts

February 20, 1938

Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Reporter 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Class Reporter 3; Monsonia Staff 3; Class Ring Committee 4; Student Council 4; Yearbook Staff.

SHEILA VIRGINIA MURPHY

Sheil

Ludlow, Massachusetts

November 22, 1937

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 4; Monsonia Staff 2, 3; Yearbook.

GEORGE HENRY NORTH
Georgie
Palmer, Massachusetts
February 13, 1937
Baseball 1; Junior Hi-Y 1; Glee Club 1, 2; Class Ring Committee 3; Yearbook.

THOMAS MICHAEL O'BRIEN
Mike
Mocomb, Illinois
August 9, 1936
Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball Manager 2; Glee Club 1, 2; Class Ring Committee 3; Assistant Stage Manager One-Act Play 1, 3; Yearbook.

SHIRLEY JEAN PECK
Jeanne
Ware, Massachusetts
January 18, 1937
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook.

NANCY CLAIR READ
Nan
Palmer, Massachusetts
October 7, 1936
Softball 2, 3.

JOYCE MARIE RICHARD
Joy
Long Beach, California
August 23, 1937
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monsonia Staff 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 4; Basketball 1; Majorette 1; Yearbook Staff.

CAROLYN RUTH SHORETTE
Carol
Maynard, Massachusetts
February 22, 1938
Tri-Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Secretary Tri-Hi-Y 4; One-Act Plays 1, 3; Softball 1, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain Junior Varsity Basketball 1; Captain Varsity Basketball 3, Co-Captain Basketball 4; Talent Show 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monsonia Staff 4; Student Council 4; Sub-Cheerleader 4; Calisthenics at Small School Basketball Tournament 2; Yearbook.

ROY HOWARD TOMPKINS
Roy
Hartford, Connecticut
July 5, 1938
One-Act Play 3; Yearbook.

MARCIA WALLACE
Windy
Ware, Massachusetts
December 6, 1937
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monsonia Staff 2; Majorette 1, 2; Yearbook.

JUDITH ANN WATSON
Judy
North Kingstaven, R. I.
October 18, 1936
Tri-Hi-Y 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3; Monsonia Staff 4; Yearbook.

CAROLYN ROSE WITEK
Carolyn
Palmer, Massachusetts
August 17, 1937
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Monsonia Staff 3, 4; Yearbook Staff 4.

CLASS HISTORY

SOUTH MAIN STREET SCHOOL

"THE EARLY YEARS"

GRADE 1

The Class of 1955 started out on a strange, new adventure on that September Day in 1943 . . . School! There were many tears and many little brothers and little sisters following older brothers and sisters.

Everyone must have had a hard time understanding Cecile . . . the only language she could speak was French.

During the year some of the girls were dressed in Bo-Peep costumes with parasols and sang in the Operetta.

At Mechanic Street School Miss Kennedy entertained her "cherubs" with little pegs while she sorted them out.

GRADE 2

In the second grade Guy Parker pulled Miss Bennett's chair out from under her. The little gentlemen in the class picked her up.

We had fun with Miss Murphy at South Main. We used to play games behind the blackboards where the coat hangers were.

GRADE 3

The Third grade brought a change in most of the class. The girls contracted a disease . . . "whispering." Miss Makepeace always had a ruler handy for slapping the hands of offenders.

Nancy Read had a terrific fight with a second grade boy. She won!

Pat and Gerald Dorval, Robert Robichaud, and Joseph Dugay joined the class at South Main. Ann Bonett arrived at Mechanic Street. The class of '55 was growing!

GRADE 4

There was another operetta this year. Jay and Barbara B. were moonbeams. Ann and Shirley sang. Margie was a little French doll and Barb K. was the holly.

Mrs. Sherman delighted in testing her pupils' memories. She had them memorize poems.

Mrs. Osborn's room was a popular one. "Dog and the Bone" was a favorite game. There were many bruised knees and elbows.

GRADE 5

The class of '55 gained two new members this year at South Main—Joyce Richard and "Happy" Blunt.

The disease which the girls had contracted in the third grade was still rampant. It was a rare afternoon which didn't see several of them staying after school for whispering. We really gave Miss Quinlan a hard time.

There was a great musician in the class at this time. Norm was a wonderful saxophone player.

During the noon hour some of the "big girls" in the fifth grade used to take care of the first and second graders.

Nancy Francis was another new arrival this year. She was the envy of all the other girls. They didn't have any boy friends; Nancy had them all.

Mrs. Sherman's favorite means of punishment was making the offenders sit on the floor with their legs straight out in front of them.

Barb K. had a good throwing arm. One day she threw an eraser across the room and hit Robert Senecal on the head.

CLASS HISTORY

MECHANIC STREET SCHOOL

"COMING OF AGE"

GRADE 6

The two classes finally met this school year. It was an important year; one in which many new friendships were formed.

The banks of the river were always well trampled by the boys looking for the soccer ball. Soccer was a popular game with the girls, too.

Another forbidden place was behind the schoolhouse. It surely did make a good hiding place when we played "hide and seek."

The day on which Mr. Richards, the music teacher, left was a memorable one. Everyone participated in a program in his honor. When Mr. Richards sang "Now Is the Hour" there was many a wet eye.

The basement at State Street School was always an interesting place, with all its corners.

Mrs. Lovel had many beautiful and interesting rocks to show us. She also helped us form a Pet Protection Patrol, which held regular meetings. Anyone seeing a pet being mistreated was to report it to the Patrol.

Very often each row put on a show or play. There were many actors and actresses in the class in those days.

Mrs. Norcross always had interesting stories to read us. We spent many English periods listening to the adventures of Doctor Doolittle.

The spelling bees which were held, Mrs. Norcross' class against Mrs. Lovell's, were also popular.

At the end of the school year Mrs. Norcross and Mrs. Lovell gave out prizes to those in the classes who hadn't been absent during the year.

GRADE 7

The seventh grade was a new experience. We had finally reached the high school.

We were a lively class, to say the least. Mr. Mullaly had a hard time with us.

Ginny Hooper and Helen Green were the "terrors" of the class.

We all enjoyed the "baseball" games played with words in Miss Hynes' science class.

Our alto part in the music class consisted of two people, Jay and Barb K. Where could they have been those Thursday afternoons?

GRADE 8

At the magazine drive party given by the Student Council, George was the master of ceremonies. Jay and Barb B. tap-danced.

The new additions to our class this year were Carolyn S., Janet Leary, and Mary Ann Ceretto.

One day during math class Happy had an accident. She was attempting to pass a note to a neighbor of hers when her seat fell over.

GRADE 9

This was quite a year. Our initiation was what we'd been dreading, but it wasn't at all as bad as we had feared.

It was really fun. Ann started singing "Sweet Violets," but never did finish it . . . she forgot the words.

Gerry Munro and Barb K., dressed as first-graders, jumped rope.

"Butler" Cantwell, a new arrival to our class, and Bill Braskie had the pleasure of squeezing eggs, one soft and one hard. Bill was the unlucky one.

CLASS HISTORY

The Indian Maiden, Cecile, did her Indian dance.

There were some singing ghosts, too.

We started our high school year with a girl president, Cecile was President; Barb K., Vice President; Barb B., Secretary; and Billy Teale was Treasurer.

We were lucky enough to win the One-Act Play contest with "The Farmer's Daughter." Ann was the farmer's daughter and Pat Harvey was her sister. Carol S. made a wonderful farmer's wife, and Joe Loglisci was an admirable farmer. Norman was perfect as a shy boy friend, and Paul made a terrific villain. Don Cantwell was so shy that he couldn't make the sound effects for a galloping horse, even behind the scenes.

Our Senior Reception was a great success. In spite of the big rain storm that night, there were 86 couples.

GRADE 10

This was another never-to-be-forgotten year! Billy Teale brought his phonograph and we danced during club periods.

Marilyn made her debut into the "Coffee Shop" by falling on her knees.

Judy Watson was our newcomer this year. She made a hit with all the boys.

The bookkeeping class really enjoyed themselves. Poor Mrs. Lamson was always moving some one's seat. Still, a little studying brought most of us "c's."

Our Sophomore Hop was a success. The girls had a messy time making refreshments, but they were eaten.

The biology class was in the first period of the afternoon. The chemicals used in the lab made everyone sleepy until we started dissecting frogs.

Marcia Wallace and Billy Teale had a terrific argument this year; Marcia used a spray net for her hair which annoyed Billy very much. One day he just threw it out the window. That was it!

We ended the school year with a picnic at Babb's Beach. Everyone had a good time, and came home tired but happy.

GRADE 11

After much discussion, we finally ordered our class rings. Surprisingly enough, we voted unanimously for the same one.

The French Club was formed this year. The members, Andrew Piwcio, Ann, Jay, Barbara B., Barbara K., Eve, and Cecile and Mrs. Harrington, the advisor, really worked for that trip to Canada. They had food sales (and nearly froze), candy sales; sold cards, and had dances. They made it finally. Unfortunately, Eve couldn't go because of her naturalization papers. so Norm came instead. That was a wonderful trip! The Mount Royal Hotel in Montreal was something to remember. Riding in the elevators was fun, n'est-ce pas, girls? Montreal has many beautiful churches, we found out. We also went to some wax museums.

Quebec seemed even better than Montreal. The Chateau Frontenac was a wonderful hotel, with the elevators and telephones.

The sight-seeing tours of Quebec was interesting. Among other things, we saw the Plains of Abraham, the church of Our Lady of Victories, and the narrowest street in North America. Another interesting place was the Citadel.

Andrew (Sam) couldn't get over the French movies. "The Return of Don Camillo," which we saw.

The last night in Canada everyone went to bed early in the morning. "Murder" is a very absorbing game isn't it?

Our play didn't win the contest, but we all enjoyed it. Roy looked very handsome in his red pajamas with green polka-dots.

The Junior Prom was a success. Our decorations, blue with silver stars, won many compliments.

The class picnic at Ocean Beach ended, as usual, with everyone singing on the way home. We all enjoyed Nancy Francis singing "Blue Moon."

GRADE 12

Our final year of school!

We started it with a bang. Freshman Initiation was great fun for Seniors, Freshmen, and spectators.

One day most of the boys decided they needed a day off, so they went down to the Bronx Zoo. (Or so we heard!)

The scrap drives which we had were enjoyed by all, in spite of all the dirty hands. Some of those magazines were *very* interesting, weren't they?

The men in the class turned to music this year. Before the first class in the afternoon they'd all get together and sing popular songs.

In December we had a skating party. Before it even started, Don C. fell in; so he went home, changed his clothes, and came back.

Nancy Francis thought it was time to start something new, so she got some knee socks and wore them to school. Soon everyone was wearing them.

As we go out into the world, some of us going into service, some going to work, some getting married, we'll always remember with a smile the things we did in school.

We will always treasure our memories of Monson High and our classmates.

AND SO INTO THE WORLD!

CLASS WILL

PAUL ANDERSON . . . "Paul" wills his humorous actions to John Alanzo.

IRENE AUGUSTINE . . . "Rene" wills her used roller skates to Jean Hockenberry.

BARBARA BEAULIEU . . . "Carmen" wills her title name to anyone who wants it.

LEO BEAULIEU . . . "Leo" wills his shorthand book to Rennie Pascale.

ANN BONETT . . . "Ann" wills her art ability to Pat Harvey.

EDWARD BRASKIE . . . "Bill" wills his math book to Charles Hulse.

DONALD CANTWELL . . . "Donny" wills his basketball career to Donald Moriarty.

JESSIE COOLONG . . . "Jessie" wills her "peppy" ways to Marilyn Lunden.

DONALD DEPACE . . . "Don" wills his "legs" to the future soccer team.

JANET DRAKE . . . "Jay" wills her smile to Beverly Case.

MARILYN FOX . . . "Red" wills her red hair to Martha DeGeorge.

NANCY FRANCIS . . . "Nan" wills her curly locks to Judy Leveille.

NANCY GOODALE . . . "Nancy" wills her daily trip to the store to get pom-poms to Marie Monohagn.

JOSEPH HAMEL . . . "Joe" wills his brightness to John Poulin.

ELIZABETH HULSE . . . "Liz" wills her 4-H ribbons to Bette Young.

BARBARA KLUCESKI . . . "Barb" wills her "cackle" to Cynthia Ball.

EVE KOLOWRAT . . . "Eve" wills her milking machines to Carol Stramski.

CECILE LECOURS . . . "Sis" wills her skin to Carol Rounds.

MARJORIE LEWING . . . "Marge" wills her piano to Robert Taylor.

ROSALIE MANZI . . . "Ro" wills her teeth to Jeanette Foisy.

SHIELA MURPHY . . . "Shiel" wills her size to Mr. Holley.

GEORGE NORTH . . . "George" wills his car to MaryAnn Nicholds.

MICHAEL O'BRIEN . . . "Mike" wills his Swift shovel to Ernest Chaples.

SHIRLEY PECK . . . "Shirl" wills her homeroom seat to Laura Moulton.

NANCY READ . . . "Nancy" wills her promptness in getting to school on time to Carolyn Sieron.

JOYCE RICHARD . . . "Joy" wills her knitting needles to Gloria Letendre.

CAROLYN SHORETTE . . . "Carol" wills her muscles to Zannah Winters.

ROY TOMPKINS . . . "Roy" wills his English essays to Melvin DeFoe.

MARCIA WALLACE . . . "Marcia" wills her terrific hair styles to Nancy Dion.

JUDITH WATSON . . . "Judy" wills her apron to Larraine Jefferys.

CAROLYN WITEK . . . "Carol" wills her silly antics to Chuck Ryan.

NORMAN WYTAS . . . "Zeke" wills his "women" to Carl Fisher.

CLASS PROPHECY

The Prophets

NANCY FRANCIS

PAUL ANDERSON . . . Paul has just received his medal for being the "safest driver of the year."

IRENE AUGUSTINE . . . "Rene" now owns her own bakery and is raising "little doughnuts."

BARBARA BEAULIEU . . . "Carmen" is now with the Barnum and Bailey Circus doing her famous trapeze act.

LEO BEAULIEU . . . Leo now owns his own factory, manufacturing cigarettes, namely "Old Leo."

ANN BONETT . . . Ann is now an assistant veterinarian for Dr. Bliss, horse doctor.

EDWARD BRASKIE . . . "Bill" is now a stockholder of the Monson Co-Op.

DONALD CANTWELL . . . "Donnie" has just been voted "The fastest chicken plucker" at Swift & Company.

JESSIE COOLONG . . . "Jessie" is now in instructor at Arthur Murray's Dance Studio.

DONALD DEPACE . . . "Don" has just purchased a farm and a couple of chickens. "You can never tell what the future holds."

JANET DRAKE . . . "Jay" is now seen on TV doing commercials for Colgate toothpaste.

MARILYN FOX . . . "Red's" smiling face is seen every morning under the heading "Why be bald? You too, can have hear. Use Fox's liniment."

NANCY FRANCIS . . . "Nan" is now accompanying "Liberace." Her latest recording is "I'll Love You All My Life."

NANCY GOODALE . . . "Nancy" now manufactures "Pom-Poms," calorie-controlled.

JOSEPH HAMEL . . . "Joe's" high I. Q. is now being used in a very beneficial way, he is teaching Gracie Allen her A-B-C's.

ELIZABETH HULSE . . . "Liz" is now traveling from base to base with Willis singing "Serenade in Blue."

BARBARA KLUCESKI . . . "Barb" is now a dental hygienist for her favorite dentist, Dr. Pincince.

CLASS PROPHECY

Quiet Reunion 1965

EVE KOLOWRAT . . . "Eve" is now starring in movies, playing the part of "The Farmer's Daughter."

CECILE LECOURS . . . "Sis" is now known as the most famous woman square dance caller.

MARJORIE LEWING . . . "Marge" is now president of the F. W. Woolworth Company, counting her millions.

ROSALIE MANZI . . . "Ro" is now taking over the "Dorothy Dix" column in the Springfield Daily News.

SHEILA MURPHY . . . "Sheil" is now modeling baby clothes for Youth Center; she shrank from old age.

GEORGE NORTH . . . "George" is now head mechanic at Smart's Garage.

MICHAEL O'BRIEN . . . "Mike" is now boss at Swift & Company. He wears a white shirt—no shovel needed now.

SHIRLEY PECK . . . "Shirl" just made $1,000,000 with her "Gain Weight" Diet Plan.

NANCY READ . . . "Nancy" has just joined the Waves and her rank is "Corporal."

JOYCE RICHARD . . . "Joy" is now a traveling saleswoman. She is going from door to door trying to sell baby clothes and hoping to meet an eligible bachelor.

CAROLYN SHORETTE . . . "Carol" is now the champion woman wrestler. Her next match is with Gorgeous George.

ROY TOMPKINS . . . "Roy" now writes his own column in "Today's Woman."

MARCIA WALLACE . . . "Marcia" is now president of the Lonely Hearts Club. "Maybe future years will change the situation."

JUDITH WATSON . . . "Judy" has just been voted "Miss Plaza" of 1965.

CAROLYN WITEK . . . "Carolyn" is now running her own kindergarten, and has more than one Bob running around.

NORMAN WYTAS . . . "Norm" has just left the United States and is headed for Africa. He has been deported for "Bigamy."

JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Edward Robinson
Barbara Guertin
Jean Harrington
Carol Brouthers
John Obrien

JUNIOR CLASS

First row, top: A. Jurczyk, E. Robinson, Mr. Martin, Teacher; D. Haley, C. Collins, R. Noble. Second row: J. Poulin, J. O'Brien, P. Demers, S. Warka, J. Harrington, A. Wilbur, E. Furgal, L. Johnson, J. Braskie, M. Lunden, C. Sieron, J. Foisy, D. Moriarty, R. Meurisse, F. Magrone. Third row: D. Isham, J. O'Connell, D. Manganiello, J. Daly, R. Roach, B. Guertin, R. Underwood, S. Moody, J. Coolong, B. Case, H. O'Connell, P. Harvey, J. Leveille, M. DeGeorge, W. Magrone, J. Midura.

SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

Neil Beaulieu, Prescott Watson, Dorothy Kozec, Carolyn Murphy, Cynthia Ball.

THE SOPHOMORE CLASS

First row, top: E. Swanson, M. DeFoe, R. Smart, W. Taylor, D. Fox, Mrs. Harrington, N. Beaulieu, J. Alonzo, W. Mega, R. Aliengena, T. Schetzel. Second row: R. Tassinari, R. Watson, M. Sutcliffe, C. Ryan, W. Picking, P. Watson, G. Letendre, L. Proulx, P. Kelly, R. Johnson, B. Kvarnstrom, L. Beaulieu, J. Hockenberry, N. Dion. Third row: G. Roberts, P. Peck, J. Noble, N. Young, C. Stranski, M. Nichols, C. Ball, M. Milde, N. Hale, D. Kozec, M. Monoghan, J. Zisk, B. Young, C. Murphy, E. Leary, B. Farquhar, B. Bridges, P. Anderson. Fourth row: R. Lusty, D. Lelgeman, C. Hulse, E. Chaples, C. Morris, F. Chlebus, R. Pascale.

FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS

David Santucci, Jane Moriarty, Judith Lenois, Edward McCarron.

THE FRESHMAN CLASS

First row: F. Snyder, J. Aliengena, J. Carey, J. Skallbite, E. McCarron, R. Calkins, P. Mayberry, J. Lecours, J. Hale, D. Anable, T. Kozec, E. Sweeney, S. Gelina, T. Costa, J. Perrin. Second row: K. Coolong, J. King, S. Andon, M. DePace, V. Janson, C. Dorval, F. Smith, L. Leveille, M. Holda, D. Sanzo, D. Hope, L. Arventos, S. Dickinson, M. Muller, L. Benoit, J. Moriarty, M. Meacham, B. Wright, B. Meacham, B. Picco, J. Heintz. Third row: D. Brown, B. King, B. Scott, C. Foschini, H. Meacham, J. Tourville, P. Comfort, C. Kominiski, K. Haley, P. Nothe, D. Comfort, A. Kendall, N. Ball, N. Morrell, C. Granger, B. Gould, J. Lenois, H. Stewart, P. Landers, Z. Winter, J. Bailey, R. Rivard. Fourth row: R. Coolong, J. King, J. Ryan, D. Hyatt, W. Jurczyk, D. Santucci, J. Wood, A. Pascale, D. Couture, J. Shorette, J. Roach, N. Privee, A. Lunden, John L. Brown, Teacher. Missing: C. Murphy.

FACULTY

Miss Anna Dalton
Miss Audrey Jones

EIGHTH GRADE

First row: D. Webber, J. Poulin, P. Brown, D. Braski, L. Lataille, D. Pelletier, D. Meurisse, J. Mega, W. Brown, H. Bahlin, E. Kibbe, D. Gould, R. Stacy, R. Anderson. Second row: R. Weldon, K. Roberts, S. Jefferson, J. Moriarty, S. Coolong, S. Goepp, M. Isham, M. Samb, E. Jefferson, S. Isham, S. Heath, K. Church, S. Mason, V. Allen, C. Hermanson, N. Hope, T. Beaulieu, W. Lusty. Third row: E. Tisdale, N. Robichaud, J Nothe, Joyce Nothe, B. Manzi, D. Jangrow, P. Calkins, L. Moriarty, S. Merceri, M. Learned, D. Moore, A. Coleman, S. Cody. Fourth row: W. Schweitzer, R. Moriarty, L. Tassinari, T. Murphy, K. Martin, T. Smart, D. Milde, D. Sutcliff, J. Cantwell, D. Barry, T. Brown, C. Buckly. Fifth row: G. Nordin, L. Stacy, R. Austin, J. Wadhams, R. Christiansen, W. Rogers, G. Dane, J. Morris, E. Lecours, R. Vadnais, R. Stacy, N. Richard, G. Lyons.

SEVENTH GRADE FACULTY

Mrs. Madelyn Barber
Mr. Hugh Graham

SEVENTH GRADE

First row: W. DeForge, K. Goodale, M. Magrone, C. Church, R. Magrone, D. Mega, R. Brown, S. Koran, I. Bonet, J. Muller, T. Poulin, R. Casey, C. Chappel, J. Skomro, J. Witek. Second row: Mrs. Barber, G. Hermanson, A. Jefferson, J. Bristol, P. Bradway, E. Aldrich, C. Jones, E. Desrosiers, N. Bolieau, M. Tassinari, N. King, J. Barnes, P. Hall, L. Hermanson, A. Dickinson, M. Fuller, C. Hull, J. Martin, J. Harris, J. Nietupski, J. St. Piere, S. Smith, Mr. Graham. Third row: S. Phillips, J. Schetzel, D. Privee, D. Sanborn, B. Fearon, L. Tassinari, C. North, C. Wytas, D. Hulse, D. Strum, M. Austin, D. McCleary, A. Curtise, M. Kology, J. Moore. Fourth row: L. Pease, J. Nordin, R. Sierakowski, R. White, D. Tassinari, G. Tompkins. Fifth row: S. LeGrand, S. Woods, R. Moore, R. Sangermano, J. Plato, D. Murphy, J. Wood. Sixth row: W. Schneider, J. Royce, E. Burnett, J. Daly, D. Leary, Jr., H. Hatch, B. Underwood, W. Snyder, K. Brown.

SPORTS

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SOCCER

THE PROUD COACHES

COACH MORIARTY
ASSISTANT COACH EMRICH

THE "IRON MEN" SQUAD

Top, left to right: Coach Moriarty, M. O'Brien, E. Robinson, R. Senecal, Colin Collins, John Midura, N. Beaulieu, John Obrien, Mr. Holley. Bottom: N. Wytas, D. DePace, D. Cantwell, R. Pascale, C. Fischer, T. Costa, B. Magrone. Co-Captains: N. Wytas and Donald Cantwell.

In 1955 fourteen "Iron Men," under the direction of Coach Moriarty and his able assistant, Coach Emrich, rolled over all opposition during the soccer season and capped their victories with a stirring sweep of the Western Massachusetts Soccer Tournament at Amherst. The superb condition of this soccer squad was demonstrated time and again when the chips were down. Playing with only three substitutes there was little chance for relief. Nevertheless, when vital games went into overtime periods, these boys always had that extra surge of power to put on the pressure and roll on to victory!

THE VICTORY RECORD

Sept. 21—Classical	1	Monson 3
Sept. 24—Commerce	1	Monson 3
Sept. 28—Ludlow	3	Monson 2
Oct. 1—Pomfret	1	Monson 4
Oct. 4—Cathedral	0	Monson 5
Oct. 8—Ludlow	1	Monson 2
Oct. 11—Commerce	3	Monson 3
Oct. 15—W. Spfd.	0	Monson 3
Oct. 19—Classical	6	Monson 1
Oct. 25—Cathedral	0	Monson 4
Oct. 29—Pomfret	4	Monson 1
Nov. 1—Mass. Frosh.	4	Monson 1

TOURNAMENT SCORES

Tech.	4	Monson 6
Classical	1	Monson 2

BASKETBALL

JAY VEE SQUAD

Top row, left to right: Coach "Bill" Emrich, Billy Magrone, Gene Sweeney, Glen Nordin, David Hyatt, Dave Santucci. Bottom row: Ed. Robinson, Rene Pascale, Eddie McCarron, Captain Tiny Magrone, Bill Schweitzer, Bill Lusty.

COACH

COACH "BILL" EMRICH

The Jay Vee squad enjoyed a successful season under the popular new physical education director from Springfield College.

JAY VEE RECORD 1955

Dec. 7	Monson	25	Cole Trade 29
Dec. 10	Monson	34	Palmer 44
Jan. 5	Monson	39	Commerce 36
Jan. 12	Monson	28	Ware 30
Jan. 18	Monson	39	Palmer 35
Jan. 21	Monson	26	Belchertown 18
Jan. 25	Monson	36	Commerce 33
Feb. 8	Monson	43	Belchertown 15
Feb. 14	Monson	35	Notre Dame 28
Feb. 17	Monson	33	Ware 41
Feb. 18	Monson	32	Notre Dame 39

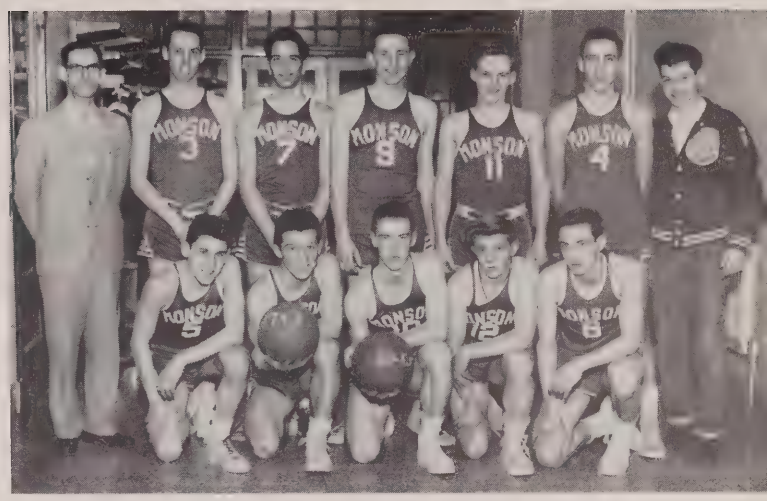
REBOUND SCRAMBLE

BASKETBALL

COACHES

COACH MORIARTY
ASSISTANT COACH EMRICH

TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS



Top row, left to right: Coach Moriarty, E. Robinson, F. Magrone, N. Beaulieu, D. Moriarty, J. Midura, Manager J. O'Brien. Bottom row: T. Costa, N. Wytas, D. Cantwell, R. Pascale, B. Braskie. Co-Captains, Norman Wytas, Donald Cantwell.

Monson Does It Again!

The jubilant cheers had scarcely died down over the soccer field in Amherst when Monson was headed back to that town to compete in the Western Massachusetts Small School Tournament. The superb coaching of Mr. Moriarty and the stiff scrimmage competition provided the first team by Coach Emrich's Jay Vee squad inspired Monson to run up the impressive record printed below:

TOURNAMENT ACTION

VICTORY SCOREBOARD—1955

WON 17 LOST 3

Monson High	47	Cole Trade	41
Monson High	76	Palmer	58
Monson High	59	Williamsburg	45
Monson High	61	Warren	54
Monson High	33	Holyoke Tr.	55
Monson High	70	Commerce	42
Monson High	77	Williamsburg	40
Monson High	55	Ware	40
Monson High	78	Warren	46
Monson High	69	Palmer	39
Monson High	77	Belchertown	45
Monson High	54	Commerce	52
Monson High	49	Holyoke Tr.	71
Monson High	71	Belchertown	43
Monson High	51	Notre Dame	42
Monson High	52	Ware	66
Monson High	47	Notre Dame	40

TOURNAMENT VICTORIES

Monson High	71	Orange	47
Monson High	45	Arms Academy	43
Monson High	38	Smith Academy	35

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

GIRLS' TEAM

Top row, left to right: Cynthia Ball, Shirley Merceri, Frances Smith, Rosalie Underwood, Judy Daly, Marilyn Lunden, Nancy Morrell, Darlene Moore. Bottom row: Coach Madison, Nancy Young, Co-Captains Judy Braskie, Carolyn Shorette; Lillian Moriarty, Managers, Carol Stramski, Bette Young.

COACH

COACH CHARLES MADISON

We all appreciate Mr. Madison's voluntary contribution to our sports program. He has done a fine job.

Back to Winning Ways

We are proud of our 1955 girls' basketball team. After years of humiliating whitewashings, the Monson girls have shown under Coach Madison's leadership that they must be reckoned with in the future.

TORRID ACTION

THE NEW LOOK '55

Dec. 17	Monson 32	Warren	33
Jan. 5	Monson 33	Ware	43
Jan. 7	Monson 17	Williamsburg	35
Jan. 12	Monson 56	Palmer	40
Jan. 14	Monson 39	Warren	51
Jan. 18	Monson 66	Ludlow	45
Feb. 1	Monson 55	Stafford	63
Feb. 3	Monson 62	Palmer	45
Feb. 8	Monson 33	Stafford	53

BASEBALL

Are These Bats Loaded?

Above, left to right: Varsity Baseball Coach, "Bill" Emrich, R. Noble, B. Magrone, N. Wytas, J. Midura. Bottom row: F. Magrone, T. Costa, C. Fischer, R. Pascale.

As we go to press we have no idea how the 1955 baseball team will shape up. With victory in their blood, though, and a snappy coach, these boys should give a fine account of themselves. Monson *could* pull the "Hat Trick" in '55.

KEEP THAT FOOT OUT OF THE BUCKET!

STRETCH!

CUPID'S HOLIDAY

The Queen and her Attendants

JUDITH LENOIS
Queen, JUDITH BRASKIE
MARCIA WALLACE

Soft Lights and Music

The Junior Prom was one of the most colorful events of the year. The decorations, following the Valentine theme, were red and white. Forty-eight couples were present at this most successful formal event. Patrons and Patronesses were: Mr. and Mrs. Ladd, Mr. and Mrs. Holley, Mr. and Mrs. Moriarty, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Lamson, Mr. and Mrs Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Kniffen, Mr. and Mrs. Emrich, Mr. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Whalen.

We all feel a debt of gratitude to Mr. Clarence Martin, advisor to the Junior Class, and to the enthusiastic and clever decorating committee that turned the gymnasium into a Cupid's bower, which was certainly no small task.

ACTIVITIES

TRI-HI-Y and FRENCH CLUB

TRI-HI-Y

MRS. HARRINGTON, *Advisor*

Top row: Sheila Murphy, Judith Watson, Rosalie Manzi, Marjorie Lewing, Eleanor Furgal, Rosalie Underwood, Mrs. Harrington, Jeanette Foisy, Lillian Beaulieu, Lucille Johnson, Marie Monaghan, Cynthia Ball. Bottom row: Janet Drake, Joyce Richard, Barbara Guertin, Helynn O'Connel, Dorothy Manganiello, Barbara Kluceski, Nancy Francis, Carolyn Shorette, Carolyn Sieron, Marilyn Lunden, Barbara Beaulieu, Gloria Letendre.

FRENCH CLUB

MRS. HARRINGTON, *Advisor*

Top row: Edward Robinson, Judith Daly, Dorothy Manganiello, Mrs. Harrington, Judith Braskie, Adolph Jurczyk, David Haley. Bottom row: Eleanor Furgal, Norman Wytas, Marilyn Lunden, Donald Moriarty, John Midura, Carolyn Sieron, William Magrone, Lucille Johnson.

MR. MARTIN
Monsonia Advisor

MRS. KNIFFEN
Cheerleaders' Advisor

CHEERLEADERS

Top row: Lucille Benoit, Nancy Young, Carol Stramski, Betty Jean King. Bottom row: Jeanette Foisy, Janet Drake, Barbara Kluceski, Jean Harrington.

MONSONIA

First row, top: Norman Wytas, Frank Magrone, Mr. Martin, Donald Moriarty. Second row, standing: Judy Coolong, Rosalie Underwood, Barbara Guertin, Marilyn Fox, Carolyn Witek, Eve Kolowrat, Cynthia Ball, Joan Zisk, Helynn O'Connel, Beverly Case, Judy Daly, Carolyn Sieron, Marilyn Lunden, Carolyn Shorette, Sandra Moody, Eleanor Furgal, Roberta Roach. Third row: Joyce Richards, Irene Augustine, Elizabeth Hulse, Cecile Lecours, Betty Young, Rosalie Manzi, Carol Brouthers, Janet Drake, Barbara Kluceski, Judith Watson, Marjorie Lewing.

MUSIC

Director, MR. JOHN WHALEN

BAND AND DRILL TEAM

Top row, left to right: B. Magrone, R. Johnson, L. Tassinari, T. Kozec, D. Santucci, S. Dickinson. Second row: R. Austin, F. Chlebus, A. Dickinson, C. Ball, M. Momaghan. Third row: K. Goodale, L. Stacy, P. Landers, E. Leary, M. Learned, N. Ball. Fourth row: J. Perrin, J. Moriarty, B. Picco, M. Meacham, H. Meacham, A. Colman, B. Wright, J. King, J. Heinz.

GLEE CLUB

Bottom row, left to right: C. Shorette, N. Francis, M. Lewing, J. Richard, I. Augustine, B. Beaulieu, M. Fox, C. Witek, S. Murphy, J. Watson, R. Manzi. Second row: N. Young, C. Stramski, E. Hulse, C. Lecours, S. Andon, B. Scott, P. Nothe, M. Meacham, P. Leanders, N. Morrell, C. Granger, B. Picco, Z. Winters, C. Murphy, M. Nichols, M. Monoghan, S. Warka, B. Kluceski. Third row: N. Ball, L. Arventos, B. Wright, C. Ball, B. Bridges, P. Peck, B. Young. Fourth row: M. Milde, B. Gould, J. Tourville, M. Holda, P. Harvey, E. Leary, B. Farquar, N. Hale, H. O'Connell, G. Letendre, L. Beaulieu, N. Dion. Fifth row: C. Dorval, A. Bonett, J. Carey, J. Aliengena, S. Peck, G. Roberts, L. Proulx. Sixth row: L. Johnson, M. Wallace, M. DeGeorge, B. Guertin, R. Roach, R. Underwood, H. Meacham, H. Stuart, D. Heintz.

PRO-MERITO GROUP
1955

Joseph Hamel
Marjorie Lewing
Cecile Lecours
Donald Cantwell

These students merit our high praise for their academic excellence. "Pro-Merito" is a title of honor reserved for those few conscientious students who have maintained the highest scholastic standing. The class of 1955 congratulates you!

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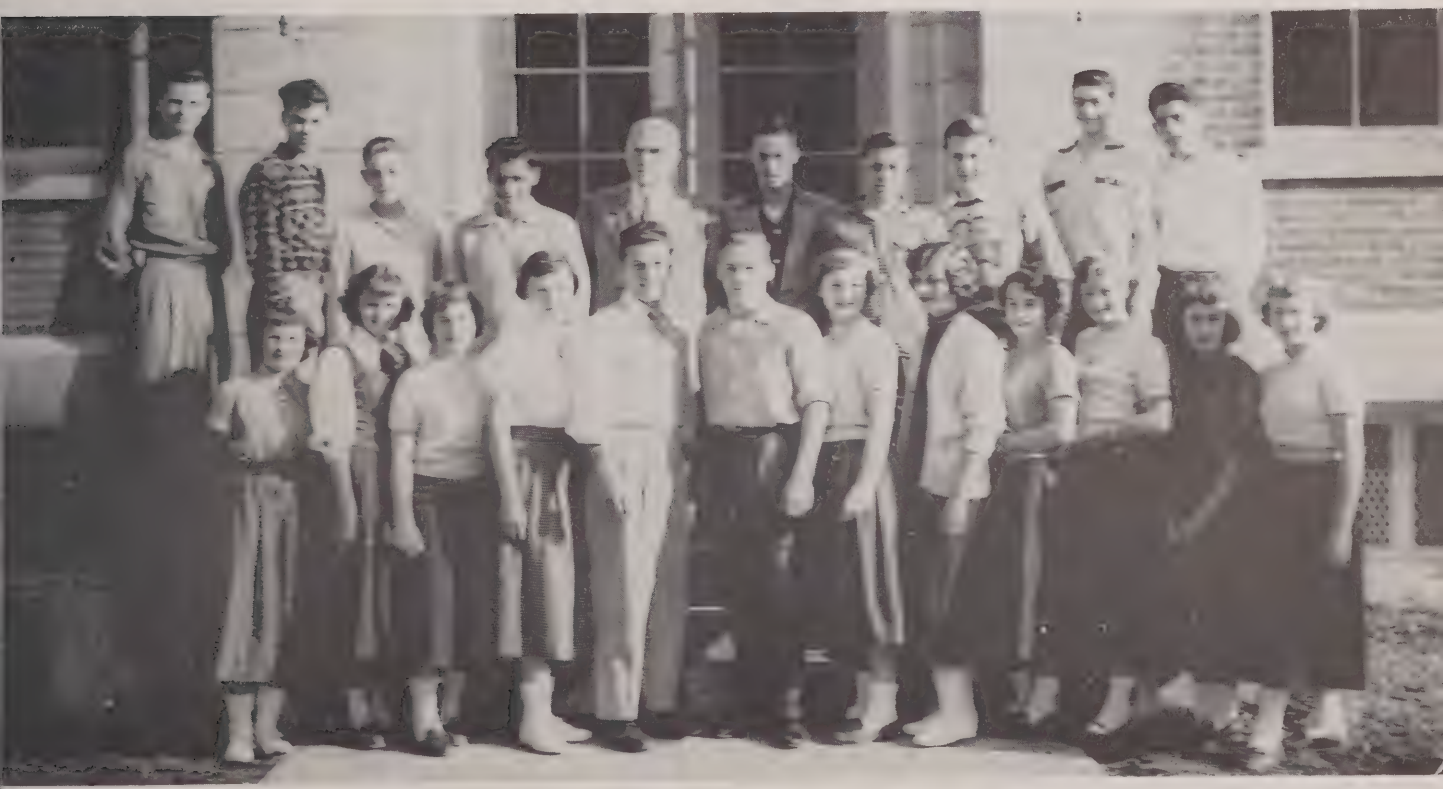

Top row: Paul Anderson, John O'Brien, Edward McCarron, William Magrone, Mr. Holley, Edward Robinson, Robert Meurisse, Neil Beaulieu, Robert Johnson, Anthony Costa. Bottom row: Irene Augustine, Cynthia Ball, Carolyn Shorette, Judity Daly, Norman Wytas, Donald Moriarty, Barbara Kluceski, Barbara Beaulieu, Carolyn Murphy, Nancy Francis, Carol Granger, Rosalie Manzi.

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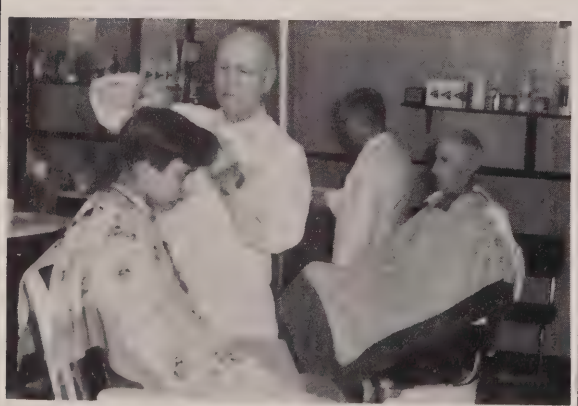

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